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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, BA, SA
SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS FOR BAHRAIN

REF: STATE 185049

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FOREIGN MINISTRY NOTE WITH ATTACHMENTS AS FOLLOWS: (A) A NOTE FROM THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE AND AVIATIONN SIGNED BY MIN DEF HRH PRINCE SULTAN, AND (B) COPY OF A NOTE SIGNED BETWEEN THE BAHRAIN DEFENSE FORCE AND THE SAUDI CHIEF OF STAFF, COL. KHALIFA. TEXT OF THE MODA NOTE FOLLOWS. BEGIN TEXT: SUBJECT: CERTIFICATE OF NO RE-EXPORTATION OR DONATION. UNDER CONTRACT NO. A/97/194/MKH OF 21/5/1397H SAUDI ARABIA PURCHASED FOR THE ACCOUNT OF THE STATE OF BAHRAIN TWELVE (12) AB-212 HELICOPTERS FROM AGUSTA INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION. SAUDI ARABIA THEREBY GUARANTEES THE GOVERNMENT OF BAHRAIN, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ATTACHED NO RE-EXPORTATION CERTIFICATE, NOT TO TRANSFER THESE EQUIPMENT TO A THIRD PARTY UNLESS IT OBTAINS THE APPROVAL OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. /S/ SULTAN BIN ABD AL-AZIZN MINISTER OF DEFENSE AND AVAITION AND INSPECTOR GENERAL.
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END TEXT.

2. THE TEXT OF THE NOTE SIGNED BETWEEN BAHRAIN DEFENSE FORCE AND MODA FOLLOWS. BEGIN TEXT: GENERAL COMMAND OF BAHRAIN DEFENSE FORCE. NO. A 1/8/4, DATE: 21 JAMAD II 1398H, MAY 28, 1978. SUBJECT: CERTIFICATE OF NO RE-EXPORTATION OR DONATION.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH CONTRACT NO A/97/194/KMKH OF 21/5/1393H
SAUDI ARABIA PURCHASED FOR THE ACCOUNT OF THE STATE OF
BAHRAIN TWELVE (12) AB-212 HELICOPTERS FROM AUGUSTA INTER-
NATIONAL CORPORATION. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF
BAHRAIN HEREBY UNDERTAKES NOT TO RE-EXPORT, DONATE, OR
SELL THE EQUIPMENT PURCHASED UNDER THIS CONTRACT TO A
THIRD PARTY UNLESS IT HAS OBTAINED THE APPROVAL OF
THE GOVERNMENT OF SAUDI ARABIA, THE STATE WHICH ORIG-
INALLY PURCHASED THE EQUIPMENT. (SIGNED) REPRESENTATIVE
OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF BAHRAIN AND (SIGNED)
STAFF COLONEL KHALIFA BIN AHMAN AL KHALIFA, CHIEF OF
STAFF. END TEXT.

3. IT WILL BE NOTED THAT THE NON-TRANSFER ASSURANCES
ARE FROM BAHRAIN TO SAUDI ARABIA AND FROM SAUDI ARABIA
TO U.S. THERE ARE NO ASSURANCES FROM BAHRAIN TO US
WE HAVE DISCOURAGED SAG FROM ATTEMPTING THIS PROCEDURE,
SAYING THAT DIRECT BAHRAIN TO U.S. ASSURANCES WERE
REQUIRED. HOWEVER, THEY APPARENTLY HAVE DECIDED TO
TEST IT OUT IN HOPES THAT IT WILL PROVIDE SAG SOME LEV-
ERAGE OVER BAHRAIN USE OF HELICOPTERS. EMBASSY WOULD
APPRECIATE GUIDANCE AS TO WHETHER THIS ARRANGEMENT SATIS-
FIES REQUIREMENTS OF U.S. LAW.
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